

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: SWITCH CONNECTION CONTROL APPARATUS FOR CHANNELS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

ATTN: Mail Stop Amendment

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2005, the time period for response having been extended from April 4, 2005 until May 4, 2005 by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time. In the prosecution of the application identified above, please consider the following:

The specification is amended starting on page 2.

Replacement drawing of Figure 14 (1 sheet) is attached.

The claims are amended beginning on page 6.

Remarks begin on page 9.